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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of External Affairs
Deputy Director, Office of External Affairs
Chief, Latin America Division, Directorate of Operations

FROM:

Chief, House Liaison
Legislative Liaison Division
Office of External Affairs

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SUBJECT: Conversation with Tom Smeeton

1. Tom Smeeton called me late last night and transmitted the following information:

a. Henry Hyde (R., IL) was genuinely unimpressed with the breakfast presentation yesterday; he strongly urged someone other than the DCI should carry this water on the Hill. This notwithstanding, he will support us on the Committee;

b. State should concentrate heavily during the Thursday briefing on the question of why the U.S. is not negotiating with Nicaragua;

c. Representative Bereuter (R., NE) will not vote with the Republicans. Instead, he has served notice that he will support the Boland/Zablocki Bill but also indicated he may be amenable to a Young type amendment. Mr. Smeeton and I both agreed that the White House should call Representative Bereuter.

2. In addition, Mr. Smeeton made the following remarks:

a. Even though Olympia Snowe did not show for the breakfast, she will be at the mark-up;

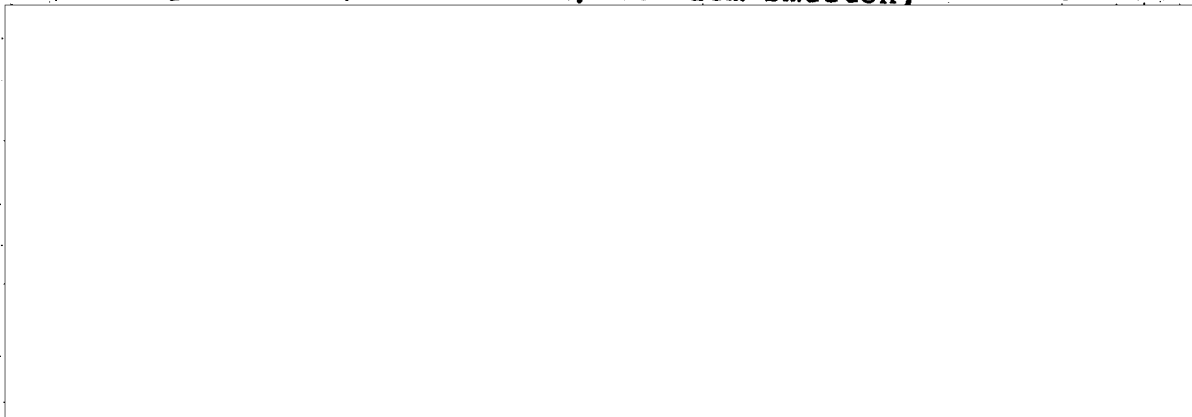
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b. There is a strong possibility that the mark-up will be closed;

c. Working with Jack Brady, it looks as if the staff will be limited to the following: Jack Brady, George Berdes, Ev Bierman, and Tom Smeeton;



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